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SUBJECT:U.S.-JAPAN SOVIET EXPERTS TALKS

1. PRIOR TO CONSULTING WITH THE JAPANESE, WE WANT TO INFORM YOU OF OUR TENTATIVE PLANS FOR THE NEXT U.S.-JAPAN SOVIET EXPERTS TALKS WHICH WE HOPE TO SCHEDULE FOR SOME-TIME BETWEEN MAY 15-30. WE WANT THE TALKS TO FOCUS PRIMARILY ON SIBERIAN DEVELOPMENT AND SOVIET-JAPANESE ECONOMIC RELATIONS, BUT THERE WILL ALSO BE TIME FOR DISCUSSION OF OTHER ISSUES OF MUTUAL INTEREST.

2. WE WOULD PROPOSE A THREE DAY MEETING DIVIDED INTO TWO
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PARTS. THE FIRST PORTION WILL BE A DAY AND A HALF GOVERNMENTAL LEVEL MEETING AT THE DEPARTMENT. AFTER LUNCH ON THE SECOND DAY, THE CONFERENCE WILL EXPAND TO INCLUDE THREE TO FIVE AMERICAN AND, POSSIBLY, ONE OR TWO JAPANESE ACADEMICS. IT WILL THEN MOVE TO ARLIE HOUSE IN VIRGINIA WHERE ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL OVERNIGHT AND HAVE TWO SESSIONS THE FOLLOWING DAY BEFORE RETURNING TO WASHINGTON. THE

CHANGE OF VENUE WILL PROVIDE A MORE RELAXED SETTING FOR THE LAST PART OF THE TALKS AND HOPEFULLY RESULT IN A FREER EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH THE JAPANESE.

3. SINCE SCHEDULING FOR AIRLIE HOUSE IS DONE LONG IN ADVANCE, WE WOULD NEED JAPANESE AGREEMENT ON THE TIMING AND ON THE INCLUSION OF ACADEMICS BY THE END OF NEXT WEEK. WE PROPOSE TO MEET WITH THE JAPANESE EMBASSY OFFICERS HERE TO EXPLAIN OUR PLANS ON JANUARY 9-10. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE PRIOR TO THAT TIME. CHRISTOPHER

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